

## COVERT TOWNSHIP VOTES TO JOIN BERRIEN COLLEGE

### Black Editor Is Found Slain

#### Racial Tension Grows At Jackson

JACKSON (AP)—Crime lab experts poured over the blood-spattered Jackson apartment of a slain Negro publisher today, searching for a key to his violent death.



CHARLES CADE  
Publisher Slain

### Good Fellow Fund Ahead Of '68 Pace

Donations Now  
Stand At \$1,100

The Herald - Press Good Fellow campaign paused on a bookkeeper's dream—a neat, exact figure of \$1,100.00. On the 14th day of the campaign that \$1,100 contrasted favorably with \$856 at the same point last year.

The unique total came when \$49.50 was added to the fund. We have exactly \$2,400 to go to reach the minimum goal of \$3,500.

**EAGLES FLY HIGH**  
Eagles Ladies auxiliary No. 425 headed the list of Good Fellows today with \$2.50. Then Ruth S. Gascoigne continued an old family tradition by contributing \$10.

A rhyming "Horse from Bridgman, Papa San," wrote: "Hoping to help make someone's Christmas bright and sunny—Enclosed is five dollars of my allowance money."

"That ain't hay—the bookkeeper," said as she fled away the check.

Ryan Perlick loved Christmas and kids more than anything else and the \$10 in his memory is evidence of his concern.

**BASSET COMPANIONS**  
American Legion Auxiliary unit No. 163 voted to send \$5 and those North Shore Bassets got some company in Southtown Bassets, Phoebe and Freckles whose master sent in \$2.

Fruit Belt Navy Mothers No. 164 made a \$5 contribution. "Just list it as 'A Friend,'" said the young lady as she gave the bookkeeper \$10.

Here is the list:  
Bill Fisher (Bet) ..... 5.00  
Sam Ebbert (Bet) ..... 10.00  
Holly's Landing ..... 35.00  
Mr. and Mrs. D.K. .... 1.00  
Smith ..... 1.00  
Sanitary Cleaners ..... 10.00

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THE HERALD-PRESS  
Good Fellow  
FUND



The body of Charles Cade, 45, was found Thursday evening in his bachelor apartment near this southern Michigan city's downtown shopping mall. On the walls of an entrance hall were scrawled the words "Black Nigger," said an associate who confirmed the misspelling of the second word.

James J. Murphy, editor of Cade's Jackson Blazer, said his employer's death was racially motivated but apparently unrelated to recent reports of gunfire and two shooting deaths in Jackson. Murphy said the derogatory words were written in blood, presumably Cade's.

Cade was reportedly shot to death, but police declined to confirm the cause of death pending the State Police crime lab examination of the apartment and body.

**TOWN TENSE**  
The death triggered a wave of concern throughout the city of 50,700 which has suffered through uneasiness and tension in the past few months over two unsolved shooting deaths which appeared to be the work of a sniper.

During the past week, there have been numerous reports of gunfire and Gov. William Milliken sent two representatives to investigate allegations that the city was becoming "virtually an armed camp."

The Blazer's editor, Murphy, applied that description to the city in asking for help from the governor. Mayor Maurice Townsend said he shared concern about "growing tensions."

"We're all hopeful that this latest incident is unrelated to earlier shootings and that it is not a racially motivated matter at all," Mayor Townsend said today. "We're all hopeful that this will be proved to be something completely independent of all the other problems we've had."

Townsend said he knew Cade casually and said he could not be classified as controversial, "more of a business man and entrepreneur." Cade also published a black-oriented weekly in Kalamazoo, the Ledger.

**STAYED IN BACKGROUND**  
Editor Murphy, who has worked for Cade for about three years, said the slain publisher came to Jackson from Detroit and founded the Blazer seven years ago. Murphy said Cade stayed in the background in operating the newspaper and left public statement of policy to Murphy.

Cade's body was discovered after an employee, business manager Mabel Cole, became concerned when Cade failed to pick up the bundles of newspapers Thursday at where they were printed at another weekly newspaper at Grass Lake which is about 10 miles east of Jackson. Cade normally picked up the papers and delivered them to newstands for sale. The paper was edited for the city's black population which is estimated at 10 per cent.

The caretaker of Cade's apartment building opened the door at Mrs. Cole's request and she then called the police when she saw the blood in the entrance hall.

Two white persons, a 16-year-old high school boy and a 78-year-old man have been killed and two other whites seriously injured by sniper fire since September. Two Negroes have reported they have been shot at on a street.

**Israelis Released**  
—By PHILIP DOPOULOS  
ATHENS (AP)—Two Israeli passengers of a TWA jetliner hijacked to Damascus by Arab commandos last August were released by Syrian authorities today and flew to Athens on the same hijacked plane.



IT LOOKS DANGEROUS: U.S. troops cautiously approach a South Vietnamese girl and woman during a search of Thuan Long for Viet Cong weapons. Much of the frustration felt by GIs in Vietnam stems from the possibility that every civilian—including children—can be an active member of the Viet Cong. (AP Wirephoto)

### Army Captain Denies Ordering Massacre

#### My Lai Probe Continues

By FRED S. HOFFMAN

AP Military Writer

WASHINGTON (AP)—An

Army board lined up testimony today from 1st Lt. William L. Calley Jr., charged with mass murdering Vietnamese civilians.

Calley's company commander, Capt. Ernest Medina, told the panel Thursday he did not order any massacre and "I did not see any massacre in My Lai."

Calley, who has not spoken publicly about the incident, was

called to testify before a special army panel which is attempting to find out why a field investigation shortly after the alleged massacre in March 1968 came up with a finding that no further action was needed.

The lieutenant is charged with the premeditated murder of at least 109 civilians at the village.

**NOT CHARGED**  
Medina, whose Company C included Calley's platoon, was excused by the Peers board Thursday night after hours of questioning under oath. He has not

been charged in the case.

During a break in his testimony, Medina appeared at a news conference in the Pentagon and denied flatly allegations by some of his former soldiers that he himself had killed a child at the My Lai 4 hamlet and ordered inhabitants of the settlement killed.

With Boston criminal lawyer F. Lee Bailey at his elbow, the 33-year-old captain answered reporters' questions for the first time since the case burst into a world-wide sensation.

Calley said Medina is not subject to an order issued by the trial judge in Calley's impending court martial and that his client was speaking out because of accusations against him carried in the news media.

**DENIES REPORT**

The captain, veteran of more than two years service in Vietnam, said:

"I did not shoot any child in My Lai and... I did not order any massacre in My Lai... I did not see any massacre in My Lai."

He shot a woman, acting instinctively when he thought she was about to attack him with a weapon.

He had been told by intelligence sources "that there would be no women or children or innocent civilians in the village... after 0700 hours," a half hour before his company launched a helicopter borne attack.

The mission of his company and other elements of a task force "was to do combat" with the 48th Viet Cong battalion which he said was reported by intelligence to be in the village.

He received an order from

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### One Mill Tax Also Approved

Margin 2-1  
For Linking  
With LMC

COVERT —Voters in Covert township Thursday agreed by nearly a two-to-one margin to annex to Lake Michigan college.

Less than one-third of the township's 3,150 registered voters cast ballots.

Covert becomes the first governmental unit outside Berrien county to join the LMC district.

The question of joining the district passed 235 to 126 while the proposition seeking support of an annual one mill tax levy beginning in December, 1970, was approved 208 to 137.

"This victory for the positive forces in Covert township is most favorable for our youth and adults," said Lake Michigan college President Dr. James Lehman. "Lake Michigan college contributed a minor effort in informing the residents about this election."

**"OPENS THE DOOR"**  
Covert supervisor Jerry Sarno also praised the outcome. "This basically opens the door for a continuing education for our high school graduates and increases the opportunity of the total community to become involved in higher education," he said.

Covert board of education member Mrs. Duane Castor offered some wishful thinking. "It is a wonderful feeling to know that Covert township voters made this decision. I hope the electors will support our operational millage request for the local schools in the spring."

Mrs. Castor was speaking of a millage request the board of education intends to seek sometime in March.

Covert township is a lightly populated area in Van Buren county. It adjoins Berrien county along the Lake Michigan shoreline. The town of Covert lies about 18 miles north of Benton Harbor-St. Joseph.

Covert's \$11 million assessed valuation, bolstered by Consumer Power Company's nuclear power plant, is expected to bring about \$11,000 into the LMC coffers. The amount of tax revenue will rise substantially as the \$100 million nuclear facility is completed.

**TUITION REDUCED**  
By approving annexation the tuition for students from Covert has been reduced from \$213 to \$120 per semester.

Annexation approval ended a three-year effort to attach the township to the LMC district.

Van Buren county, after a steering committee study, had applied to the State Department of Education for an election to establish its own college district. But the state officials held up the application indefinitely, indicating they wanted sections of Van Buren to join either LMC, the Southwestern Michigan college district (Cass county) or Kalamazoo Valley Community college district.

Mattawan voters earlier this fall approved annexation to the Kalamazoo Valley district.

### Body Found On Beach At Holland

HOLLAND — Allegan county sheriff's officers said they are investigating to determine the identity of a man whose body was found Wednesday afternoon, washed up on a lonely stretch of Lake Michigan beach about 3½ miles south of here.

The body was reported discovered about 3:15 p.m. by a Grand Rapids man who was jogging along the beach.

Deputies said the nude body could be identified only as an adult male. It was badly decomposed, officers said. The body was taken to Dykstra funeral home here, where further identification attempts are being made, deputies said.



ARRAIGNED: Linda Louise Kasabian, brought to Los Angeles from Concord, N.H., where she surrendered on a murder warrant, is led down a corridor of the Los Angeles Hall of Justice after her arraignment. The girl, mother of an 18-month-old baby and five months pregnant, is one of three persons arrested in the slayings of Sharon Tate and others. (AP Wirephoto)

## Young Witness To Tell Killers

### Grand Jury Indictment Of Leader Sought

By LINDA DEUTSCH  
Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP)—A young woman, whose attorney pledges she will tell who killed Sharon Tate and six others, testifies before a grand jury today. Prosecutors are seeking to indict the bearded leader of her hippie-style clan with conspiracy to commit murder.

Attorney Richard Caballero said Thursday night that Susan Denise Atkins, 21, will waive rights against self-incrimination and "tell the grand jury exactly what happened" in a gamble that her voluntary testimony might save her from the gas chamber.

Miss Atkins, charged with murder in a separate case, accompanied members of the clan as they killed Miss Tate, actress-wife of Polish film director Roman Polanski, and the others last summer, Caballero said. But he said she was temporarily insane, under the clan leader's "hypnotic spell" at the time and "had nothing to do with the murders."

**LEAD TO ARREST**  
Miss Atkins' jail cell conversations led to arrests in the Tate case. But the Los Angeles Times, to which Caballero made his statements, said prosecutors were expected to seek her indictment anyway.

Also among the 18 scheduled witnesses was producer Terry Melcher, 27-year-old son of singer-actress Doris Day. Melcher has declined comment.

Miss Atkins' attorney said Melcher was visited by Charles M. Manson, 35, known as the leader of a quasireligious clan of hippie types who knew Manson as "God" and "Satan."

Manson was unsuccessful in seeking Melcher's help to record some songs when Melcher lived in the Tate home in fashionable Bel Air before Miss Tate and her husband moved in, the attorneys said.

Deputy Dist. Atty. Aaron Stovitz said Thursday he would ask the grand jury to indict Manson on a charge of conspiracy to commit murder, and would seek murder and conspiracy indictments against at least five other persons.

It was the first word that Manson, held for trial in Independence, Calif., on charges of possessing stolen property and driving a stolen vehicle, would be a target for prosecution in the slayings.

Shot or stabbed with Miss Tate, 26, at her rented \$200,000 home last Aug. 9 were Hollywood hair stylist Jay Sebring, 35, coffee heiress Abigail Folger, 26, Polish playboy Voltyek Frukowsky, 37, and Steven Parent, 18, a friend of the caretaker.

A wealthy market executive, Leno LaBianca, 44, and his wife Rosemary, 38, were stabbed to death at their Hollywood home the next day.

Miss Atkins' lawyers said she

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John Howard & His Guys  
"The Jet Set" Adv.

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## Dems Try To Take The Glory

### Social Security Benefits To Rise

WASHINGTON (AP)—Senate Democrats, moving rapidly to steal the march on Republicans, have prepared a rider to the tax reform bill raising Social Security benefits by 15 percent effective Jan. 1.

The Democrats took action Thursday to get the rider into position for adoption today. This came as GOP senators were believed planning a similar move.

The vote on the rider was set for after consideration of another amendment to knock out of the tax reform bill the provision inserted in the Senate Finance Committee ending the tax exemption privilege for private, grant-making foundations after 40 years.

Sen. Russell B. Long, D-La., chairman of Finance, said there was no question the Senate would approve the Social Security rider.

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## THE HERALD-PRESS

### Editorial Page

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## State Will Crack Down On Highway Billboards

Four years ago, Congress passed the Highway Beautification Act calling for removal of all 800,000 billboards along the nation's interstate highways.

Today, not a single billboard has been removed.

In fact, 105,000 additional signs have sprouted up.

For two years, Michigan has had a state law similar to the federal statute. Since Jan. 1, 1968, it has been illegal to erect a billboard anywhere in Michigan within 660 feet of the right-of-way of interstate freeways and primary state highways outside of business or industrial areas.

Yet the prohibited billboards have been springing up faster since they were outlawed than they did before. The scope of the problem is told in a 1966 survey conducted by the Michigan Department of State Highways. That survey showed more than 38,000 billboards within the prescribed 660 feet; some 26,000 of these were in rural areas — principal targets of the 1968 control law. Most of these should have been removed under the 1968 law but have not been.

Since the 1966 survey, the State Highway Department says, many more signs have been put up—perhaps hundreds, perhaps thousands.

The lag in enforcement of the federal billboard law apparently stems from congressional failure to provide sufficient money to compensate outdoor advertising firms for the signs that are torn down. In addition, many of the states have gone about removing the signs one by one, rather than making deals with big sign companies to remove all the "rms" offending signs at one fell swoop.

Little has been done in Michigan, but now some real action

may be forthcoming. A string of signs advertising a new roadside beany chain has suddenly popped up adjacent to several state highway rights-of-way. This very obvious alleged violation of the 1968 state statute has incensed officials of the Department of State Highways. Further, the department is tired of waiting for a resolution of conflicts between state and federal laws and is completing the research needed to back up its case against sign companies and landowners involved, according to Henrik E. Stafseth, department director who is well-known in the Twin Cities as former St. Joseph city engineer.

First target is a crackdown on some 80 billboards strung out along 80 miles of I-96 from Lansing to Novi. Enforcing the law takes time.

First, there is an inventory. Next step, says Stafseth, is a title search to determine who owns the land on which the signs sit.

"Next, we notify the sign companies and landowners that they are in violation and that the signs must come down," he says. "They have 30 days to comply."

If the sign companies fail or refuse to tear down the offending signs, says the Attorney General's office, "the department can send in crews to remove the signs."

State officials recognize that such action could bring about court hassles testing the constitutionality of the law, adequate compensation for the signs, and other issues.

Whatever it takes, the sign control law should be enforced — and stringently. Beauty of the countryside belongs to all the people, not just the few in a position to make a fast buck from the eyesore signs.

## Weird And Wonderful World Of Mine Workers

The roughest election in the 79-year history of the United Mine Workers (UMW) will be held next Tuesday, Dec. 9.

A union which used to be a personal vehicle is now up for grabs. The United Mine Workers (UMW) has long had a history of one-man rule.

The late John L. Lewis, in the words of the N.Y. Times, "never let a union convention go by without disdainful comment on the presumption of miners who complained about the large number of districts in which he designated all the officers." His successor, W. A. (Tony) Boyle, has been accused of showing equally low respect for the exercise of rank-and-file democracy.

But there is no fresh breeze. Joseph A. Yablonski, who is running against Boyle, is an old Lewis wheelhorse. Jock Yablonski, 59, a long-time member of the union's executive board, had served until 1966 as president of the UMW's big and potent District 5 headquarters in Pittsburgh. Boyle, the crown prince designated by Lewis, is 65, and has been running the UMW since 1963.

The UMW's current position in the labor movement has been described as that of "a cruel joke." The union has isolated itself from the rest of organized labor, and its Washington headquarters is said to resemble a funeral parlor.

One of the Yablonski backers is Ralph Nader, the consumer and safety crusader. Nader charged last May 22 that "at least 550" of

the more than a thousand union locals are "bogus" organizations of retirees on pensions with fewer than the 10 actively working miners required by the union constitution to qualify them for local charters and thus for voting rights.

Tony Boyle is paid \$50,000 a year as union president with an additional \$12,000 for expenses. His brother, R. J. Boyle, is president of District 27 in the low coal-producing Pacific Northwest area at a salary of \$25,000. His daughter, Antonette, is a \$40,000-a-year attorney at the UMW office in Billings, Mont.

The Labor Department on Nov. 28—just 11 days before the election—issued a five-page memorandum accusing Boyle of improperly raising the salaries of union officials, including his daughter and his brother. The report also said that thousands of dollars in UMW funds had routinely been handed out for unverified expenses. Boyle's response to the charges was to accuse the Labor Department of "outside interference" in the internal affairs of the union.

Congressional Quarterly on Aug. 8 reported that the National Bank of Washington "controlled by the United Mine Workers, recently has been criticized inside and outside of Congress for making loans to mining companies." The news service said also that Members of the House of Representatives had been able to borrow money from the UMW-controlled bank at an annual interest rate lower than that quoted to the general public.

The Boyle-Yablonski confrontation is probably a make-or-break affair for Tony Boyle. Some miners will always remember John L. Lewis—even in his days of retirement—as the boss and Boyle only as his stand-in.

Only last fall, Yablonski was urging "honest-to-God loyal support" for Tony Boyle. Now he sees Boyle as "a dictator" and "a collaborator." The days when anybody who said a bad word against John L. Lewis in a coal town could expect to be run out of the patch are long gone.

## Not Welcome



## GLANCING BACKWARDS

### NEW WING AT HEATH

—1 Year Ago—  
Pearson Construction Co. men have completed enclosing new 14,600 square foot office wing addition to the Heath Company, Hilltop road in south St. Joseph.

The new offices are the first to be added since the original building was constructed in the 1950's. Cost of the new addition is about \$160,000 according to building permit issued by city of St. Joseph. Additional office space will permit expansion of display room for Heath Electronic kits. Heath earlier this year completed \$1 million expansion of its warehouse and production facilities.

### METROPOLITAN INSURANCE STARTS BUILDING

—10 Years Ago—  
A \$75,000 building to house the Metropolitan Life Insurance district office here will soon grace the rapidly expanding River-view shopping center.

The northeast corner of Wall street and Riverview drive is the site of the proposed project, which has been disclosed by Charles A. Forbarger, retired Benton Harbor dairy owner and realtor, and his son, Dean C. Forbarger, who own the property.

Pearson Construction Co., is the general contractor for the new building. Noble and Price Plumbing Co., Inc., has the plumbing and heating contract, while March Electric Co. has contracted to do the wiring. Completion is due sometime in February or March.

### RUTH RAMSEY

## Today's Grab Bag

### THE ANSWER QUICK!

- 1-What did the word "gospel" formerly mean?
- 2-Who was the first child born on earth?
- 3-Who was "Il Duce"?
- 4-Who was the first president of the Irish Republic?
- 5-Who was John Nance Garner?

### IT'S BEEN SAID

War, that mad game the world so loves to play.—Swift.

### WATCH YOUR LANGUAGE

SLEDGE — (SLEJ) — non; a sled for conveying loads over snow, ice or rough ground.

### YOUR FUTURE

A most fortunate birthday for all prepared to work. Today's child will be brilliantly clever.

### DID YOU KNOW . . .

A two inch rainfall means about 54,308 gallons of water on an acre of land.

### BORN TODAY

Small, erect and dapper, Martin Van Buren would be right at home today in the councils of the most astute politicians. His slick politicking won him such nicknames as "Little Magician" and "Red Fox of Kinderhook."

Van Buren was born in Kinderhook, N. Y., in 1782. After graduating from school, he became a clerk and entered practice in 1803. He soon became active in state politics

as a state senator and later as attorney general.

Van Buren became a U. S.

### FIRST HOSPITAL DRIVE MEETING

—25 Years Ago—  
The first of a series of important luncheon meetings in conjunction with the Memorial Hospital Campaign will be held at the Whitcomb hotel tomorrow.

Campaign plans will be presented at the meeting by Atty. A. Edward Brown, general chairman, and Mr. Crow will discuss certain phases of the advanced gifts solicitation. No solicitation will be made at this meeting.

"The fine reception which has greeted announcement of the campaign indicates the deep interest of the people of this city and community in the new Memorial Hospital," stated Mr. Crow. "Our fellow citizens are interested deeply in the hospital, and I am sure the entire community will support this drive."

### LEFT FOR FLORIDA

—35 Years Ago—  
Charles Renner of the Whitcomb, widely known hotel man, has left for Florida, where he will take over management of the Indiatlantic, large resort hotel between Palm Beach and

### HENRY CATHCART

## Inside Washington

WASHINGTON — Congressional Democrats, whatever they say in public, are profoundly dismayed by the returns of the November off-year elections. They interpret the results

not so much as affirmation of President Nixon's policy as a warning to local Democrats to keep Vietnam out of politics — at least for the moment.

The two elections that most bother the Democrats were the gubernatorial races in New Jersey, and for nearly a century in Virginia. At the outset of the political year, Democrats were heavily favored to hold both states. They lost both. Virginia solidly, and New Jersey in an unprecedented landslide.

Former Governor Robert Meyner, a tall, handsome white-manned, articulate sort, seemed like a shoo-in after winning in the New Jersey Democratic primary last June. He had run a clean, competent, fairly conservative administration from 1954 to 1962, and had left his office untainted and popular. But after the primary, Meyner tossed his moderate image to the winds in a bid for support from the New Jersey branch of the left-of-center New Democratic coalition. Meyner, who had opposed the minority peace plank at last year's Democratic convention, called for an immediate withdrawal from Vietnam, accompanied with the now inevitable talk of a "reordering of national priorities."

Defeated by William Henry Harrison in 1840, he was the leading contender for the Democratic nomination in 1844. However, when he publicly opposed the immediate annexation of Texas, the southern delegation at the Baltimore convention refused to support him and he was beaten.

Van Buren joined a movement which led the Free-Soil party and became its candidate for president in 1848.

He returned to Kinderhook and died in 1862.

Others born today include Vincent Sheean, Gen. George Armstrong Custer.

IT HAPPENED TODAY  
On this day in 1951 the first completely automatic pushbutton controlled garage was opened in Washington, D.C.

HOW'D YOU MAKE OUT?  
1—Glad tidings.

2—Cain.

3—Benito Mussolini.

4—Eamon de Valera.

5—Vice president of the United States.

Daytona. "Colonel" Renner, as he is known to a host of friends, goes to the south from the new Hotel Whitcomb, where he has been manager under Managing Director Leon J. Harris.

### HELP WANTED

—6 Years Ago—  
Mayor L. A. King is considering putting a "wanted" sign on the city hall bulletin board in an effort to fill the post of city auditor, recently vacated by Gordon Bennett Paxton. Thus far, no one has applied for the job.

### POOR FED

—55 Years Ago—  
Hundreds of Chicago's worthy poor were fed during November from the abundance of crops with which Berrien county was blessed. Several carloads of orchard and garden produce were sent to Immanuel Baptist church in Chicago by Berrien county Sunday schools.

### LARGEST RUN

—70 Years Ago—  
The Vandalia took out the largest run this morning since the railroad began operations, including 15 carloads of pig iron for South Bend.

## DR. COLEMAN

## .. And Speaking Of Your Health

I am about to go to the hospital to have a hysterectomy operation. The reasons were thoroughly explained to me but I still have many unanswered and confusing questions. I find it hard to take up a great deal of my doctor's time to learn how this operation will affect me as a woman and as a mother.

Mrs. S. K., Iowa

Dear Mrs. K.: For some of my other readers let me explain that a hysterectomy operation involves the removal of the uterus or womb. In most instances the ovaries and the Fallopian tubes, all part of the reproductive organs, are removed. This depends on the judgment of the surgeon at the time of surgery.

The operation is almost always done because of the presence of fibroid tumors of the uterus. These are benign or non-cancerous growths that may produce discomfort because of their size and pressure on the bladder or rectum. There are, of course, other reasons for surgery.

The other phase of your problem interests me greatly. All physicians today are aware of the tremendous psychological overtones of this operation. They, therefore, are ready and willing to discuss the intimacies that are involved in the total emotional reaction of women about to undergo this operation. Your hesitation to discuss these with your doctor does you and him an injustice. It would spare you the anxiety that the removal of the uterus could make you less attractive as a woman or a less capable mother to the children you have already borne.

You will find, as many women do, that there is a greater psycho-sexual freedom and there will be no loss of personal attractiveness.

There have been little or no newspaper reports about the

advantages of taking the "flu" injections this winter. I assume that there is no expectation of an epidemic. Should the injections be taken anyway?

Mr. K. N., Ohio  
Dear Mr. N.: The reports thus far from the public health officials, do not seem to indicate that a widespread or severe epidemic of influenza or Asian flu is to be expected. For this we are, of course, exceedingly grateful.

Nevertheless, I personally believe that there are advantages in using an Asian flu vaccine for the elderly and for those who have chronic illnesses. Since there is little or no danger in the use of the vaccine, it is advantageous to give these people the benefit of added protection.

Your own physician, of course, is the best judge of your need for continued flu vaccination during this winter.

Is there any way to avoid the excessive fatigue that happens to some people, and me in particular, after a long plane ride?

Mr. M. T., California  
Dear Mr. T.: One of the remarkable mechanisms in our bodies is a sensitive time clock arrangement. Many of the organs of the body perform their functions in a cycle. In fact, these cycles help us make adjustments to time and geographic changes.

A long plane trip throws this delicate mechanism out of gear. The sleep and the eating habits are changed so quickly that the body cannot make an adequate adjustment. Fatigue results and is the body's plea to be allowed an extra period of rest before embarking on full scale activity.

SPEAKING OF YOUR HEALTH: Carefully examine new toys that are purchased for children. There may be some hidden hazards.

Dr. Coleman welcomes letters from readers, and, while he cannot undertake to answer each one, he will use questions in his column whenever possible and when they are of general interest. Address your letters to Dr. Coleman in care of this newspaper.

## JAY BECKER

## Contract Bridge

You are South, both sides vulnerable. The bidding has been:

| North | East | South | West |
|-------|------|-------|------|
| 1 ♠   | Pass | 2 ♠   | Pass |
| 2 ♥   | Pass | 2 ♠   | Pass |
| 2 NT  | Pass | ?     | ?    |

What would you bid now with each of the following four hands?

1. ♠A754 ♥8 ♦10 ♣AQ8763
2. ♠AJ98 ♥72 ♦J3 ♣KQ652
3. ♠K785 ♥Q98 ♦6 ♣AK854
4. ♠KQ83 ♥Q8 ♦8 ♣AJ9732

1. Three spades. The purpose of three spades bid is to tell your partner you hold 5-5 distribution. North will realize that you could not have bid three spades in this sequence with only a four-card suit, and he will therefore interpret the bid as showing a five-bagger.

At the same time North will recognize that your clubs are at least six cards in length, since you would have bid spades first had the suits been of equal length. This is in line with the well-established principle that you should bid the higher-ranking of two equally long suits.

2. Pass. This no longer looks like a game-going hand. North opened the bidding, all right, but he has since signed off twice under the compulsion of

our forcing bids. Obviously, he has a minimum opening bid. With extra values he presumably would have shown more signs of life. Since we have already bid our hand to the hilt, we have nothing further to add.

Another way of looking at the problem is to apply the general principle that it takes two opening bids, or their equivalent, to make a game. Partner obviously has a minimum and we have less than an opening bid, so the total adds up to less than game.

3. Four hearts. Game is of course certain, despite partner's signoffs. However, there is also a chance for a slam, and this possibility can best be suggested by jumping to four hearts.

4. Three hearts. It is still not clear whether the best contract lies in hearts, notrump or clubs. The best way of representing the diamond shortage is by showing heart support, which, in conjunction with our two previous bids, will enable North to choose the proper contract.

Ordinarily, Q-x is not regarded as adequate support for partner's rebid suit, since the repetition of a suit may be based on five-card length. However, there is a substantial possibility that North has a six-card suit, and a trial raise to three hearts (forcing) is therefore proper.

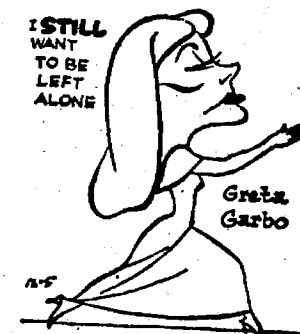
## BENNET CERF

## Try And Stop Me

Greta Garbo, more aloof today, if possible, than she was in her heyday, was visibly annoyed when a woman seized her arm in a big Fifth Avenue department store and loudly demanded, "Say, are you who I think you are?" In a cutting voice, Miss Garbo snapped, "No." More irritating still, the inquisitor rejoined a friend at the handkerchief counter and gloated loudly, "I TOLD you she wasn't Kate Hepburn!"

Groucho Marx once explained to Critic Walter Kerr the distinction between an amateur comedian and a professional. An amateur, opined Groucho, thinks it's funny if you dress up a man as an old lady, put him in a wheelchair, and give the chair a push that sends it hurtling down a steep slope toward a forbidding stone wall. "And what about the professional?" prodded Kerr. "For a pro," declared Groucho, "it's got to be a real old lady."

OVERHEARD:  
In a doctor's office: "Let me



put it this way to you, Mr. Wimpheimer: the softness of your muscles is exceeded only by the hardness of your arteries."

In a talk to draftees at Fort Dix: "Temptations are like bums. You treat one nice and he returns with all his friends."

"The tree overhanging our lawn has five hundred thousand leaves. Every fall it sheds two million of them into our swimming pool." — Farmer Klopfer.

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## INTERMEDIATE BOARD DENIES TRANSFER BID

### Marijuana Case Ends In Acquittal

#### St. Joseph Man Was Charged With Possession, Sale

A 23-year-old St. Joseph man was acquitted by a Berrien circuit jury late Thursday on charges of selling and possessing marijuana on May 11, 1968, in St. Joseph.

The jury, in Judge Karl F. Zick's court, deliberated more than two hours before reaching a verdict and closing the three-day trial of Dennis Lee Knuth, of 804 Hoyt street.

Two undercover men for police, testified Knuth handed two packages later identified as containing marijuana to another youth who sold the packages to the undercover men.

**DIDN'T KNOW**  
Knuth testified he didn't know the contents of the packages and only was performing a favor for an acquaintance.

Knuth also denied testimony of another youth named in the case, Philip Steffey, 21, of Chicago, that implicated Knuth. The undercover police agents testified Knuth did not speak during the exchange of the two packages.

Steffey pleaded guilty last January to possession of marijuana and later was sentenced to a three-year probation beginning with a three-month jail sentence.

The state's case was presented by Quentin Fulcher, chief assistant Berrien prosecutor, and Knuth was defended by St. Joseph Atty. George Keller.

### Stolen Car Charges Dismissed

#### Three Cases Go To Circuit Court

Three persons were bound to circuit court in preliminary examinations held yesterday in Berrien Fifth District court. A case against another was dismissed and a fifth person was penalized after pleading guilty of misdemeanors.

The following were bound to circuit court by Judge John Hammond:

Joseph Ernest Lee, 25, of 146 North McCord street, Benton Harbor, accused of rape. Lee continues free on \$500 bond.

Howard Bell, 23, of 481 Vineyard, Benton Harbor, charged with possession of stolen property, a "carbine rifle," valued over \$100.

Earl Nelson Wilford, 39, route 1, New Buffalo, charged with assault on Emma Wilford with a deadly weapon, a shotgun, in New Buffalo Township, Nov. 25. Wilford continues free on \$2,500 bond.

On motion of the prosecution, Judge Hammond dismissed with prejudice—meaning the defendant cannot be recharged—a case against Luther Vernon Steele, 39, of Detroit, charged with possessing a stolen car Aug. 28 in Lake township. No witnesses appeared Thursday to testify on the alleged theft.

Ken Kenton, 57, of 6059 South Cleveland, Stevensville, was sentenced to five days and assessed fine and costs of \$40 for entering without permission a home at 5780 DeMorrow road, Stevensville Dec. 3. He was assessed an additional \$48 for being drunk and disorderly.

### Woman Hurt In Fall From Snowmobile

Mrs. Lillian Schmidt, 44, Route 2, Berrien Springs, suffered a back injury when she fell off a snowmobile last night, Berrien sheriff's Deputy Stanley Watkins reported.

Admitted to Niles-Pawating hospital, her condition today was listed as fair.

Watkins said Mrs. Schmidt and her husband Edward were trying out a snowmobile they had purchased a week ago when the snowmobile ran over a bump and threw Mrs. Schmidt off. The accident occurred about 9:30 p.m. last night in a field on the Schmidt farm.

### U.S. Wants Revision In Model Cities Plan

Spokesmen for the federal agency controlling Model Cities more information was needed in a key report just released by the Benton Harbor-Benton township program.

The two spokesmen said the report needed focus, priorities and specific objectives in key areas.

Making the assessment for area program leaders were Kent Fuller, regional representative of Model Cities for the

Housing and Urban Development (HUD) department, and Milton Hyman, regional social resources advisor.

Both Fuller and Hyman attended the noon luncheon of the program's Community Progress Citizens' Steering Council (CSC) at a night session.

The CPC is the planning body named by the two municipalities to oversee development of the improvement plan for the 1,236-acre tract. The citizen's council was given the responsibility of developing the plan.

**PROBLEMS ASSESSED**  
Covered in the report, known as the first phase report, were the assessment of problems, causes and general objectives, including some key recommendations. Federal approval is required so that development of the improvement plan may begin.

Program administrator Benjamin Davis said he could not estimate how long the additional work on the report would take. He said he was planning to include the information sought, however, in a strategy statement which was still to be added to the 88-page document.

The administrator said a suggestion to hold a workshop for council members was also being considered. If carried out, the council could then determine priorities and specific details before the statement is put into final form.

Davis said the implication of the reaction by the federal spokesman was that local determination was not without limitations.

Members of the council and the Progress Commission had rated the report highly. Only two commission members, Benton Harbor Mayor Wilbert F. Smith and township supervisor Ray Wilder, questioned some details and both described them as minor.

**COMMENDED REPORT**  
Fuller and Hyman agreed the report showed a high in-put by citizens and commended it for covering the problems generally. But they said the thrust of the focus, determination of priorities, and a refinement of objectives were lacking.

The spokesmen also said the report appeared to emphasize making residents into the mold for programs in existing institutions. More emphasis, they indicated, should be on reshaping the institutions to better serve the needs.

Fuller declined to describe the reaction as major and said similar recommendations had been made in programs elsewhere. The purpose of the visit Thursday was to permit an informal review of the report, said Fuller to avoid rejection once formally submitted.

Hyman said "you have and we have much to gain by your success. I hope you don't see this as a we-they situation. We are here to assist."

**FUNDS APPROVED**  
In other issues: the council approved a \$250 expenditure to finance a Dec. 13 appearance at Seeley McCord school of the International Afro-American Museum; approved a \$32 bonus for each of the 12 aides which conducted a door-to-door survey among area residents; approved joining into a corporation to sell certain cities in the state with Model Cities programs; a referral to the employment committee a proposal to hire a liaison officer.

The bonus for the aides boosted their pay for five months work from \$2,080 to \$2,112 each.

Silas Legg, second vice chairman of the council, criticized the lack of communication between the chairman and council members and said appeals for a meeting of the council's officers as the executive committee had been overlooked.

"We are operating in a haphazard manner," said Legg. "We need something better than this. Let's get together so we can get to working."

**Berrien Register Of Deeds Has Minor Surgery**  
Mrs. Judith Litke, Berrien county register of deeds, was reported in good condition today in Memorial hospital. St. Joseph, recuperating from minor surgery. She was admitted Thursday night.

Donald Litke, her husband, said she was expected to be discharged Saturday and be back at work Monday.

Bills totaling \$3,930.03 were approved.

Gerald Hass, chairman of the

LOOK OF AUTHORITY: The Berrien Humane Society shelter sometimes gets outstanding dogs, valuable as a protector and companion. Such breeds are only there for a short time before they are adopted. A recent shining example is this German Shepherd, nine-months old with papers. The shelter at 640 South Crystal avenue, Benton township, also has an assortment of smaller dogs and kittens ready for adoption. (Staff photo)



### Seven Stevensville Jobs Up For Vote

#### Nominating Petitions

Due Dec. 29

Nominating petitions for three trustee posts and the positions of president, clerk, treasurer and assessor for the village of Stevensville are now available.

Fred Albrecht, village clerk, announced at last night's meeting of the council, that petitions are due on Dec. 29 at 4 p.m. They may be picked up at his home, 2747 Wildwood lane, Stevensville.

The annual village election will be held March 8, 1970 at the village hall.

Trustees Gerald Hass, Gerald Huebner and Robert Nernberg presently hold the terms that are expiring. Hass has served the council for eight years, Huebner two and Nernberg for four.

**2-YEAR TERMS**  
Each of the trustee positions is for a two-year term.

Conrad Stampohar is village president with Albrecht as clerk, Mrs. Edna Zandarski as treasurer and Arthur Buchholz, Jr., as assessor. All these positions are for one-year terms.

In other business the council discussed installing a flashing blinker light at the intersection of Red Arrow highway and John Beers road.

The suggestion had been made informally at the council's last regularly scheduled meeting date. A Stevensville resident, Melvin Krieger, had asked that the council study the need for a caution and stop light at the intersection.

He suggested the light would serve as a caution to motorists warning them of a busy intersection and help slow traffic on Red Arrow highway at the intersection.

**COST ABOUT \$800**  
Gerald Hass, chairman of the

### Small Group Wanted Out Of District

#### Fragmentation Of BH School District Feared

**BERRIEN SPRINGS**—Heeding Benton Harbor school district's alarm over possible fragmentation of the district, Berrien Intermediate district board here last night vetoed a request to transfer a small slice of Bainbridge township from Benton Harbor to Watervliet school district.

The Intermediate board acted on a request to transfer by a handful of Bainbridge township residents in the Morgan road-Napier avenue to shift 14 parcels totaling 120 acres. The area was at one time part of the Spinks Corners district.

Intermediate board Treasurer Vance Ferguson introduced the veto resolution by noting "a chain reaction of fragmentation of the Benton Harbor district would be started" if the transfer were approved.

The board also considered two other items in its vote, Ferguson said: Watervliet schools never commented in favor of the transfer, and distance from the proposed transfer area to both Watervliet and Benton Harbor high schools are about the same, or approximately 9 miles.

**UNANIMOUS**  
The resolution was unanimously approved but for a "pass" vote by Vice President Lawrence Peachey, a Benton Harbor school principal, who missed the Monday meeting where petitioners and Benton Harbor school officials presented both sides of the proposed transfer.

Last night's decision marked the second time in recent months that the Intermediate board has struck down requests by small units to secede from the Benton Harbor district.

In October the board vetoed a bid by 90 per cent of the residents of the former Eaman school district to shift from Benton Harbor to Coloma district. Eaman residents have appealed the decision.

Petitioners from Bainbridge now have 10 days in which to seek a reversal of the Intermediate board decision by the state board of education.

At last Monday's meeting a spokesman for the Bainbridge township petitioners, James Adrich of route 1, Benton Harbor, argued for the transfer in part because of what he termed violence, overcrowding and a decline in the level of education in Benton Harbor schools.

Benton Harbor school officials denied these and other claims or termed them transitory in nature.

### Money Bag Is Stolen From Firm

#### Two Youths Get Away With \$505

A money bag containing \$305 cash and \$200 in checks was stolen from the Barentsen Candy Co., 146 Fifth street, yesterday, Benton Harbor police reported. The bag contained \$260 in quarters.

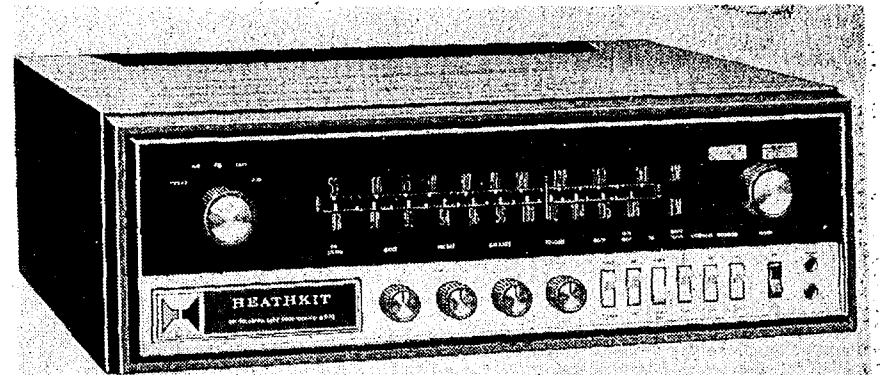
The bag was taken from a front office desk while Marshall Boynton, general manager, was showing custic tips to a youth in a back room. Boynton said two youths entered the store at the same time. One accompanied him, the other fled with the money.

The second youth attempted to flee when Boynton discovered the money bag missing and started to call police. Boynton said he wrestled with the youth in an attempt to detain him, but the youth escaped.

Police also reported a house burglary.

Two guns, a pair of binoculars, a camera and some rare coins were stolen in a burglary of the Herschel Ball residence, 824 Ogden avenue Thursday.

Mrs. Ball, who reported the burglary about 2:50 p.m., said the entire house had been ransacked. The two firearms included a Remington .12 gauge shotgun and a 30-06 semi-automatic.



**ASTRONAUT'S CHOICE:** This picture of the Heath company's AR-15 model stereo receiver shows the model picked by American astronaut Charles (Pete) Conrad for assembly while he's confined in the isolation quarters near Houston, Tex. Conrad and fellow astronauts Al Bean and Richard Gordon, returned to earth Nov. 24 after the nation's second probe onto the moon. They have been in the isolation quarters since returning and will remain until Dec. 11.

## Heath Kit Providing Hobby For Astronaut

### Conrad Assembling Unit While In Isolation

By TOM BRUNDRETTE  
Staff Writer

Heath company, the nationally known Twin Cities manufacturer of electronic kits, is providing a constructive hobby for the leisure time of one of the nation's latest moon astronauts during their required isolation.

Navy Capt. Charles (Pete) Conrad is assembling the firm's AR-15 model AM-FM stereo receiver inside the isolation quarters 25 miles south of Houston, Tex. He was the pilot of the landing module Intrepid which spent two days on the moon while the command ship, Yankee Clipper, circled overhead.

Conrad was accompanied on the moon by Navy Capt. Al Bean. The third astronaut, Capt. Richard Gordon, piloted the command ship. Their promotions to captain were announced by President Nixon after they returned to earth.

Terrance White, public information officer at the Manned Spacecraft Center, said Conrad was able to work on the model a "little each day and on Sundays."

"I would imagine," said White, "he'll take it home partly complete and finish it there."

White said Conrad had the kit, costing \$349.95, installed in the isolation quarters before the moon shot lifted off from Cape Kennedy Nov. 14. It was purchased from Heathkit's Houston store, managed by William Nico.

The three astronauts returned to earth Nov. 24 after spending Nov. 19-20 on the moon. They were picked up by aircraft carrier and transported to land while confined in a mobile isolation chamber.

On Nov. 29, they arrived in the Houston center, operated by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) and will remain confined until Dec. 11.

White said Conrad could issue no direct comment on his progress on the kit until after isolation ends. A press conference covering the moon venture and the three's experiences is scheduled for Dec. 12.

According to White, Bean and Gordon were spending most of their leisure time reading.

A spokesman for Heath said he had learned from Conrad, that at least one of the other two astronauts was watching his progress with interest.

The spokesman said Conrad had built one of the firm's kits about 15 years ago and was planning to transfer it to his son once the new model is done.

The AR-15 model is the firm's top AM-FM receiver. It requires 25-30 hours to build and is not recommended for beginners.

Lamonte Shipman, executive vice president for the firm, said the AR-15 "was the most successful hi-fi product we've ever had. It has been acclaimed by technical editors and consumer publications."

The unit is 18 by 15 inches and stand 5 inches high.

**BH, SJ LODGES**  
Benton Harbor and St. Joseph Elks will hold separate services Sunday for their deceased members.

Benton Harbor Lodge 544 will meet at 11 a.m. at the clubhouse. D. W. Kibler, a past exalted ruler, will be the main speaker. The ceremony is in charge of past exalted rulers.

St. Joseph Lodge 541 will convene at 2 p.m. in its clubrooms. Rev. Richard F. Arent of St. John United Church of Christ, Three Oaks, will be the speaker. Mrs. John Gunn will be vocal soloist and Mrs. Warren Shaffer organist.

Memorial services are annual events for Elks lodges with the theme that "an Elk is never forgotten."



CHARLES (PETE) CONRAD  
Heath keeps him busy

### Stevensville Man Passes Bar Exam

#### To Open Practice In Area Soon

John Smietanka of Stevensville, and Chicago Ill., was listed last week among those who passed the August Michigan State Bar Examination, and will be admitted to the Michigan Bar in the forthcoming admission ceremonies.

Smietanka, 28, received a Doctor of Jurisprudence Degree from John Marshall Law School in June 1968, and is licensed in Illinois. He comes from legal background. His grandfather, Julius Smietanka, established what is now the firm of Smietanka and Garigan in 1894. The elder Smietanka was Illinois' first Collector of Internal Revenue under President Wilson, appointed in 1913 and served until 1920.

In 1919 Julius Smietanka established his first roots in Stevensville operating a nursery and fruit farm there, and his family has maintained its interests.

John's father, Allan J. Smietanka, a former member of the General Council of the Bar, London, England, has been practicing law in Chicago since 1948.

John Smietanka plans to enter into the practice of law in the southwestern Michigan area in the immediate future.

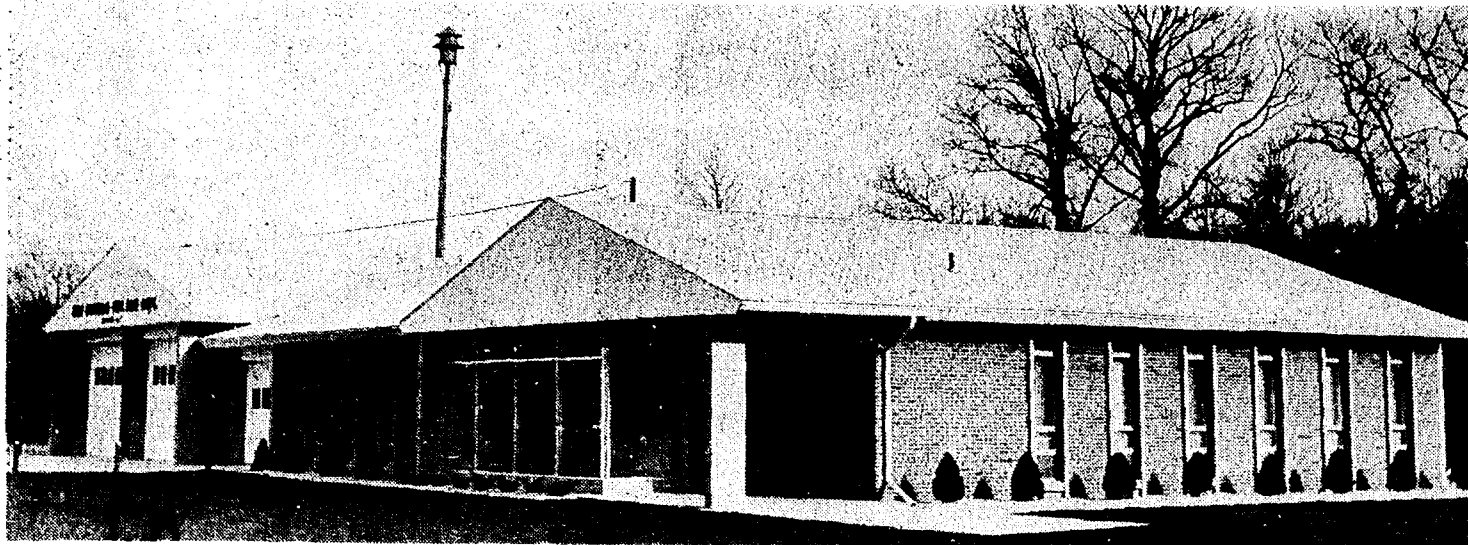
### Hot Furnace Causes Fire

An overheated furnace at 651 Superior street, Benton Harbor, caused a basement partition to catch on fire last night, Benton Harbor firemen reported. The fire spread to the basement ceiling and wiring before it was put out. Smoke damage occurred throughout the rest of the house occupied by Louie Hess.



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## STATE OKAYS GRANT FOR SUBURBAN SEWERS



**OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY:** Residents of New Buffalo township will have an opportunity to view the newly-constructed township hall on Sunday during an open house between 2 and 5 p.m. The combination township hall and fire station was approved by township voters last year and completed this fall. The \$67,000

building was erected by Gosnick-Gano contractors. Fire station has room for three fire trucks and an ambulance. It is located on Red Arrow Highway. Township officials, including Supervisor Raymond Valvoda, will host the event. (Don Wehner photo)

Gobles May  
Get Use  
Of LandfillFour Governmental  
Units Hear Plan

**GOBLES** — Residents of the Gobles area may be permitted to use a landfill operation planned to serve the north and west Van Buren and west Allegan county area, an engineer told representatives of four governmental units last night.

Minor VanderSalm, Kalamazoo engineer, described the landfill operation planned for installation north of Bangor just inside the Allegan county line.

He said a large tank-like unit would be placed at a central collecting point and periodically taken to the landfill and emptied of rubbish. VanderSalm said the tank would contain 42 cubic yards of rubbish and would cost \$1.10 per yard to dispose of rubbish.

VanderSalm outlined the planned operation for about 20 representatives of Gobles, Bloomingdale village and township and Pine Grove township last night at the Gobles city hall. Mayor Martin Van Strien said Clyde Taylor, caretaker of the present Gobles dump, will count each load of rubbish dumped and where it originated. Another meeting will be called then to determine whether to join in the area landfill operation.

VanStrien said the Gobles dump now serves 3,800 residents and is operated at a cost of \$2,000 a year. It serves 1,000 persons in Gobles, 1,300 in Bloomingdale village and township and 1,500 in Pine Grove township. The annual cost is Gobles, \$1,100, \$360 for the two townships and \$180 for Bloomingdale village.

Van Strien said more bulldozing of the dump and an extra caretaker will increase the cost. The State Health department is attempting to eliminate open dumps to prevent water and air pollution and rodent problems.

South Haven  
Schools Have  
8th Break-In

**SOUTH HAVEN** — City police today reported another break-in of a South Haven school building. Officers said someone entered the Indiana school between 7:30 p.m. Thursday and 6:45 a.m. today.

Two unlocked classrooms were entered and the teachers' desk drawers were rifled. Officers said entry was gained by breaking a front door window.

It is the eighth break-in of a South Haven school building since Nov. 1.

Bertrand Fire Dept.  
Sets Pancake Supper

**BUCHANAN** — The first of two pancake and sausage suppers planned by the Bertrand township volunteer fire department will be held Saturday from 5 to 8 p.m. at the township hall at the corner of Red Bud Trail South and Buffalo road.

Fire Chief Adam Kuntz is general chairman for the project. Proceeds will be used to purchase equipment for the fire department.

Berrien Welfare Pays  
Migrant Hospital Bills

The Berrien county Social Services department spent \$117,347.98 this year for hospitalization of 253 migrants, according to a report released this week by Director Wesley Bowerman. The 253 patients spent 1,844 days in hospitals, an average of seven days per patient, at an average per-day hospital cost of \$54.90 and an average per-day doctor cost of \$8.73.

Last year, according to the

report, 240 migrants spent 1,606 days in hospitals at an average of \$45.57 a day and a total annual hospitalization cost of \$91,284.29.

The cost of migrant hospitalization is split about 90 per cent federal-state and 10 per cent county, Bowerman said. The report does not include hospitalization payments made by migrants themselves under the de-

partment's policy of encouraging payments on an ability-to-pay basis.

The largest age group of patients this year was in the 15 to 44-year-old group for a total of 147. The under-one-year-old group numbered 23; the 1 to 4-year-old 15; the 5 to 14-year-old, 19; the 45 to 64-year-old, 45; and 65 and over, 4.

Female patients outnumbered males, 145 to 108.

Inter-City  
Alters Top  
AlignmentTwo Executives  
Get Extra Duties;  
Another Promoted

Three changes in the executive alignment of the Inter-City Bank were announced today by ICB president Eitel O. Eberhardt.

Eberhardt said James Murphy, vice president, was given the additional title of cashier; Z. E. Mileski, controller, was given the additional office of vice president; and James Blair was appointed assistant controller.

Eberhardt also announced the board of directors approved payment of a quarterly dividend of 30 cents per share. In doing so they noted an increase of 11 per cent in deposits and an increase of 6 per cent in loans. Earnings are expected to reflect a favorable relationship to the overall growth for 1969, he said.

Murphy, 39, joined the bank in 1959. He served as branch manager at Buchanan before moving to Benton Harbor in 1966. He is a graduate of River Falls State college in Wisconsin and was recently elected to the board of directors of the Twin Cities Area Chamber of Commerce.

Mileski has been at ICB since 1937. He first worked as bookkeeper and has served the bank in numerous capacities before being named controller in 1964. In 1968 Mileski received the designation Chartered Bank Auditor, an honor bestowed on a very few bank executives in the entire country. He and his wife and children live in Sodus.

Blair joined ICB in 1962 and left in 1966 to finish school at Anderson college, Anderson, Ind. He returned in January, 1969, and worked in the controller's department before being named to his new post. He and his wife and daughter live in Coloma.



JAMES MURPHY



Z. E. MILESKI



JAMES BLAIR

Keeler Slates  
Tax Collection

**KEELER** — John Scherer, Keeler township treasurer, has announced he will collect winter taxes at his home on 90th street between Keeler and Sister Lakes all day on Fridays and in the mornings on Saturdays during December and January.

Chikaming  
Okays Road  
ProjectThree Oaks Must  
Share In Cost

**LAKESIDE** — The Chikaming township board last night voted to include improvement work on Town Line road in plans for 1970, providing that Three Oaks township will share the cost of the project.

Action came in a resolution during the regular township board meeting here. The board stated that Chikaming township can handle its share of the cost but cannot meet the entire cost.

Three Oaks township board has not yet acted on the matter. The improvement sought by residents is along sixth-tenths of a mile of Town Line road, between Walnut avenue and Lakeside road at Union Pier.

The centerline divides Chikaming township to the north and Three Oaks township to the south. Improvement work has been sought by residents of Town Line Acres subdivision who use the road from Walnut and Lakeside. The residents want the road widened and resurfaced.

The board also agreed to investigate complaints by several residents who reported that Chesapeake & Ohio trains almost daily are blocking the crossing at Sawyer for long periods of time.

Beckstorf and Bussler, certified public accountants of Niles, were named auditors for the township. The meeting next month, originally scheduled for Jan. 1, will be held Jan. 8, instead.

It was not uncommon for the amount of water pumped at the distribution plant compared to that delivered to the customers to vary by as much as 10 per cent.

## AMOUNT VARIES

South Haven's average loss last year was 14 per cent, but BPW members became alarmed earlier this fall when it reportedly reached 22 per cent in September and 26 per cent in October. It leveled down to only eight per cent in November, however.

The board agreed to meet in the near future with a Chicago firm which might be able to provide a water loss survey for the city.

Van Eyck said that his firm has started a survey at the sewage plant to determine the amount of phosphate compounds that escapes treatment. The city has been given until Jan. 1 to present a preliminary report and then until December, 1972 to devise a system for treating up to 80 per cent of the phosphate. Van Eyck said he doubted if they would make the first deadline, but added that he would advise the state health department that a serious study is under way.

Lawrence To Present  
Winter Music Concert

**LAWRENCE** — The Lawrence junior-senior high school music department will present a winter concert featuring music of the Christmas season on Tuesday, Dec. 16, at 8 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

Daniel Dennis is the band director and Miss Mary McDowell is choir director. The concert is open to the public and there is no admission charge.

Project  
May Start  
This MonthTwo Townships,  
2 Villages South  
Of SJ Involved

A state grant of \$1,071,456 has been offered to the Berrien County Board of Public Works to help finance construction of an intercepting sewer line to serve St. Joseph and Lincoln townships and the Villages of Stevensville and Shoreham.

Thomas Sinn, Berrien county planning director, said the public works board was to meet today to accept the offer and to file a request to sell bonds to pay for the remainder of the project. Total project cost is estimated at \$2,175,557. Permission to sell bonds must come from the Michigan Municipal Finance commission.

The suburban project is under the auspices of the Lake Michigan Shoreline Water and Sewage Treatment Authority which is composed of representatives of the townships of St. Joseph and Lincoln, and the Villages of Shoreham and Stevensville.

## ANNOUNCED BY PEARS

Announcement of the grant offer was made by Republican State Rep. Don R. Pears of Buchanan. Pears said the offer was mailed to the public works board yesterday by Ralph W. Purdy, executive secretary of the State Water Resources commission. Pears said the offer is from the water pollution fund, established by a favorable state wide vote last year on a \$300 million clean water bond issue.

Sinn said a provision of the offer calls for construction to begin by the end of this year. He said 13 or 14 governmental agencies have cooperated so far and that so far all steps leading to construction have been made on time.

The line serving the south St. Joseph - Lakeside area would tie into existing sewage treatment plant facilities in the Twin Cities, Sinn said.

## EARLY START SEEN

Sinn said that if all goes well, construction bids should be received by Dec. 16 and work should be under contract and started by the end of the year.

However, some difficult steps remain, Sinn said, noting that selling bonds might be a problem now. He also said construction bids should be within the estimated cost range of the project. The Water Resources commission has set the end of the year construction start deadline, Sinn said. No completion date has been set, he added.

The total construction cost of \$2,175,557 would include the \$1,071,456 grant and bonds to raise \$1,104,101.

Bangor Youth  
Petitioned On  
Fire Charge

**BANGOR** — A 13-year-old Bangor youth has been petitioned to Van Buren county court on a charge that he started the Oct. 9 fire that destroyed this community's oldest landmark, the Bangor saw mill.

The mill, which was located

Hort Panel Favors  
Marketing OrderProposal Would Stabilize  
Cherry SuppliesBy ALAN AREND  
Staff Writer

**GRAND RAPIDS** — A proposed federal marketing order designed to reduce annual fluctuations in red tart cherry supplies won support from two out of three panel members here Thursday during the final day of the 99th annual Michigan State Horticultural society convention.

The panel discussion the marketing order included an economist, processor and large cherry grower and was presented to about 400 society members at the civic auditorium here.

Panel members Donald Ricks of the Michigan State university department of agricultural economics and Grower P. C. "Pete" Morrison, Jr., of Williamsburg supported the marketing order while Robert W. Hutchins, president of Michigan Fruit Canners, Inc. indicated he's undecided.

Ricks and Morrison both noted the proposed order's set-aside feature — storing cherries from a big crop year and releasing them during a lean year — is a valuable tool to fight crop fluctuations.

This process, according to Ricks, would stabilize fluctuating prices and would greatly increase returns to the cherry industry by guaranteeing cherry market outlets a steady and dependable supply of fruit each year.

"The set-aside system seems to have a great deal of promise and economically is more sound than a non-harvest system," Ricks said. "Due to the fluctuating supplies each year I'm definitely in favor of such a program."

## OPINION DIVERSE

Hutchinson told his listeners that he had written to many fellow processors and there was a wide diversity of opinion on the matter.

He indicated the concept was a positive one as something has to be done for the good of the industry, but felt the federal marketing order may raise as many problems as it solves.

"One major problem that could arise is the fact that cherry crops are not uniform throughout all producing areas," Hutchinson said. "A certain area could be frozen out and another area might have a full crop in the same year."

"This could cause a great deal of friction between the areas when the people of the non-freeze area are told they have to set-aside their crop that year."

Another major concern of the processing industry is that most

of the costs of the proposed system seem to have been dumped on them, according to Hutchinson.

"An idea has been presented, and I personally think we of the cherry industry should keep at it and thoroughly understand all its implications before we make our final decision. Therefore I'm undecided at this time," Hutchinson said.

Morrison indicated he believed the marketing order could stop the fluctuating supply of cherries each year and said, "the future of the cherry industry is in our hands and I for one am ready to move ahead."

"The marketing order can improve the industry by developing a stable supply of cherries each year, which in turn would expand and open up more market outlets."

A marketing order for cherries was defeated by growers in a vote in 1965. Morrison voted against it then but has since changed his mind "mainly because as growers our fixed investments with cherries are the same now and do not vary with crop size."

In other action during the final day of the hort show growers were told:

• To actively participate in issues concerning the curtailment of pesticides instead of sitting back and griping among themselves, by Dean F. Lovitt, Chief of the Plant Industry Division, Michigan Department of Agriculture.

## PUBLICIZE PROBLEMS

"As growers you have to bring your opinions and thoughts into the open by aggressively expressing yourselves, letting the public know of your problems," he said. "I'm very concerned that agriculture is not representing itself and its views."

Not only advances maturity of tart and sweet cherries 7 to 14 days but enhances uniform fruit color, increases firmness throughout the harvest period and lessens the removal force needed to shake cherries free from the tree, by A.L. Kenworthy of MSU's department of horticulture. The chemical is expected to be cleared up for use on cherries this spring.

• Consequences of repeated herbicide applications in fruit plantings over the past 10 years have shown no serious side effects on growth, fruit size, nitrogen nutrition and maturity rate, according to Alan Putnam of MSU's horticulture department.

• Mechanical hedging of fruit trees should begin as soon as trees reach a desired height, by C.G. Forshey, pomologist at the Hudson Valley laboratory, Highland, N.Y.



**'HAWAIIAN HOLIDAY'** — Some of the cast of "Hawaiian Holiday" a musical extravaganza featuring natives, music and customs of Hawaii, forget wintry weather by preparing for their Saturday night performance at Andrews university, Berrien Springs. Part of the university's concert-picture series, the program will begin at 8 p.m. in the Alvin Johnson auditorium.